



IOWA STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM BOARD MEETING

Meeting. The Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System Board (ISICSB) met September 8, 2016, at the West Des Moines City Hall. Significant agenda items included:

Statewide Interoperability Coordinator (SWIC) Report. Coordinator Craig Allen reported that he has been working with Land Mobile Radio and FirstNet activities.

Deputy SWIC Report. Deputy SWIC Helen Troyanovich reported:

- Work is ongoing at the federal level in looking communications in public safety 5, 10, and 15 years into the future. Developments such as artificial intelligence, increased standards, and faster computing will have impacts. Iowa is involved in developing what this will look like in the future.
- The six individual Regional Interoperable Committees (RICs) continue their work. In RIC 1, the National Weather Service has approached the Committee about being a possible user on the Land Mobile Radio (LMR) platform. Chairs are still needed in RIC 5 and RIC 6.

E911 Council Report. E911 Fund Administrator Blake DeRouchey reported on several items:

- The \$4.4 million allocation to the Department of Public Safety from the E911 Surcharge Fund for the second lease payment of the Land Mobile Radio platform as directed by [Senate File 2326](#) has been made.
- Administrative rules pertaining to changes to the E911 Surcharge Fund made by [House File 2439](#) and [SF 2326](#) will be considered by the Administrative Rules Committee on September 13.
- Workshops to educate Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) on the previous Legislative Session's law changes are being held in Sioux City on September 27, in Cedar Rapids on September 29, at the state's Operations Center on October 7, and at the Ramada Tropics on Merle Hay Road in Des Moines on October 24.
- Seventeen consolidation grants to PSAPs for a total of \$3.3 million were approved by the Council. All of the grant applications approved were of virtual consolidations.

User Group Committee. There has been a lot of discussion on device allocation, and there is still a lot of work to be done before decisions are made. The Board approved the application from Dallas County for access to the ISICS. The User Group Committee will continue to work with them.

Governance Committee. A three-year term for Board members has been determined to be the most appropriate. A plan to stagger Board turnover is being developed.

Operations Committee. Work continues on developing public/private partnerships.

FirstNet Outreach. Work continues on the WiFi Internet for School Emergencies (WISE) project. A public meeting to discuss the environmental study from FirstNet was held in Des Moines September 7.

Training and Exercise. Training is upcoming in Davenport on September 26-28. Notice will be posted soon with a link to register.

Technology Committee. The Committee is working with the P25 fleet mapping issue. There has been an issue with interoperability channels being programmed on all radios and whether local agencies will be required to do that.

FirstNet Broadband. An additional public/private partnership summit for FirstNet was held, and there was positive feedback. Additional summits may be held in April and September of 2018. Tribal outreach to the Meskwaki Nation continues.

Other Reports. A Motorola representative provided an update on the ISICS and stated they are continuing to build out the system. He stated that cooperation on the system for the Iowa State Fair went well. Right now, integrating Woodbury County is a big part of the project, and there is a fleet mapping meeting in October.

Old Business.

- A pickup truck was purchased to be located with the Strategic Technical Response trailer in western Iowa. For now, it will be housed in Atlantic.
- There has been national attention regarding the WISE program after Governor Branstad released a press release on this initiative.

New Business.

- Billing with the Office of the Chief Information Officer (OCIO) is being worked on, as there have been some misunderstandings. It is hoped this will be finalized soon. Also being discussed are future costs for website changes.
- Chair Lampe declined to sign, on behalf of the ISICSB, a letter advocating the usage of consolidation grant money from the E911 Surcharge Fund for radios until the radios to be used on the ISICS are approved by the User Group Committee. After the Committee approves the radios to be used, then he will sign, pending Board approval.

Next Meeting. The next Board meeting is October 13, 2016, at the West Des Moines City Hall.

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